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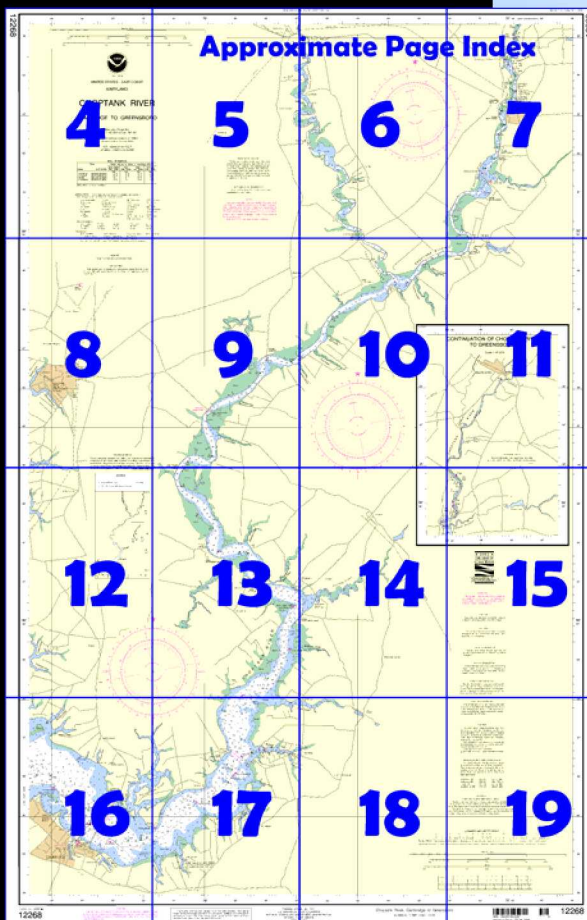
## Choptank River - Cambridge to Greensboro

(NOAA Chart 12268)



A reduced scale NOAA nautical chart for small boaters. When possible, use the full size NOAA chart for navigation.

- ✓ Complete, reduced scale nautical chart
- ✓ Print at home for free
- ✓ Convenient size
- ✓ Up to date with all Notices to Mariners
- ✓ United States Coast Pilot excerpts
- ✓ Compiled by NOAA, the nation's chartmaker.



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### What are Nautical Charts?

Nautical charts are a fundamental tool of marine navigation. They show water depths, obstructions, buoys, other aids to navigation, and much more. The information is shown in a way that promotes safe and efficient navigation. Chart carriage is mandatory on the commercial ships that carry America's commerce. They are also used on every Navy and Coast Guard ship, fishing and passenger vessels, and are widely carried by recreational boaters.

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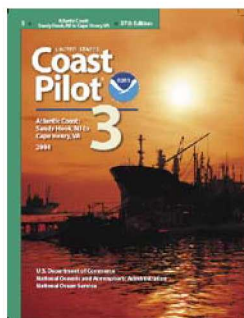
This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

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This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

### Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.



#### **[Coast Pilot 3, Chapter 14 excerpts]**

(170) **Choptank River** is navigable to the town of Greensboro.

(172) The approach to Choptank River is from southward through a buoyed channel commencing 6 miles southward of Sharps Island Light; the controlling depth is about 25 feet. The approach from northward, between designated fishtrap areas, has a least depth of 10 feet.

(173) The Choptank River main channel has depths of 19 to 25 feet to Cambridge, thence a

controlling depth of 5 feet to Denton and a centerline controlling depth of 2 feet to the fixed bridge at Greensboro. The channel is marked as far as Denton.

(174) The current velocity is about 0.7 knot in the entrance off Cook Point. In Choptank and Tred Avon Rivers the current velocity is less than 1.0 knot.

(210) **Warwick River**, is entered through a marked dredged channel which leads to the bulkhead wharves at **Secretary**. In March 1992, the channel had a controlling depth of 4 feet except for lesser depths along the edges near the head of the project and shoaling to bare on the centerline. Gasoline is available.

(211) **Cabin Creek**, has depths of 3 feet to the highway bridge 1 mile above the entrance, thence 2 feet for 0.5 mile nearly to the head. Private daybeacons mark the creek to below the bridge. The bridge has a clearance of 7 feet. Gasoline and minor repairs are available at a small marina just below the bridge.

(212) **Hunting Creek** has depths of 3 feet for 3 miles to a highway bridge. The highway bridge 0.4 mile above the entrance has a clearance of 7 feet.

(213) **Choptank**. The yacht harbor at Choptank has depths of 2 to 3 feet behind its wooden bulkheads. A 6 mph, no-wake **speed limit** is enforced. Gasoline is available.

(215) Dover Bridge, has a clearance of 10 feet.

(216) **Tuckahoe Creek**. The channel in the creek has depths of 8 feet for 2.7 miles, thence 5 feet for 6 miles, and thence less than a foot to the highway bridge from **Hillsboro** to **Queen Anne**. **Tuckahoe Bridge** has a clearance of 17 feet. The channel is unmarked, crooked, and difficult to navigate in places without local knowledge.

(218) Choptank River is constricted by **Pealiquor Shoal**. A dredged channel through the shoal area had a centerline controlling depth of 5½ feet.

(220) **Greensboro**. In April-June 1975, the centerline controlling depth in the dredged channel above Denton was 2 feet to the bridge at Greensboro. The highway bridge at Greensboro has a clearance of 10 feet. Gasoline and some marine supplies can be obtained in town.

# Table of Selected Chart Notes

Corrected through NM Apr. 19/08  
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## HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Mercator Projection  
Scale 1:40,000 at Lat. 38° 44'

North American Datum of 1983  
(World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FEET  
AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

## WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

## CAUTION

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## CAUTION

Improved channels shown by broken lines are subject to shoaling, particularly at the edges.

## NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

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## AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

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## SMALL CRAFT WARNINGS

During the boating season small-craft warnings will be displayed from sunrise to sunset on Maryland Marine Police Cruisers while underway in Maryland waters of the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.

## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Consult U.S. Coast Pilot 3 for important supplemental information.

## HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 0.415" northward and 1.221" eastward to agree with this chart.

## FISHING AND HUNTING STRUCTURES

Uncharted fish and wildlife harvesting devices and structures such as fish traps, pound nets, crab traps, and duck blinds, some submerged, may exist in the area of this chart, particularly in the near shore area. Mariners should proceed with caution.

## NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 3. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 5th Coast Guard District in Portsmouth, Virginia or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Baltimore, Maryland. Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

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## SOURCE DIAGRAM

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## AUTHORITIES

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This nautical chart has been designed to promote safe navigation. The National Ocean Service encourages users to submit corrections, additions, or comments for improving this chart to the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/CS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282.

## TIDAL INFORMATION

PLACE		Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)		
NAME	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water feet	Mean High Water feet	Mean Low Water feet
Cambridge	(38°34'N/76°04'W)	2.0	1.8	0.2
Dashes (---) located in datum columns indicate unavailable datum values for a tide station. Real-time water levels, tide predictions, and tidal current predictions are available on the Internet from <a href="http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov">http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov</a> . (Mar 2008)				

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C can	M nautical mile	Or orange	St M statute miles
DIA diaphone	m minutes	Q quick	VG very quick
F fixed	MICRO TR microwave tower	R red	W white
Fl flashing	Mir marker	Ra Ref radar reflector	WHIS whistle
		R Bn radiobeacon	Y yellow

Bottom characteristics:

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TABULATED FROM SURVEYS BY THE CORPS OF ENGINEERS - REPORT OF JUN 2009

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## PRINT-ON-DEMAND CHARTS

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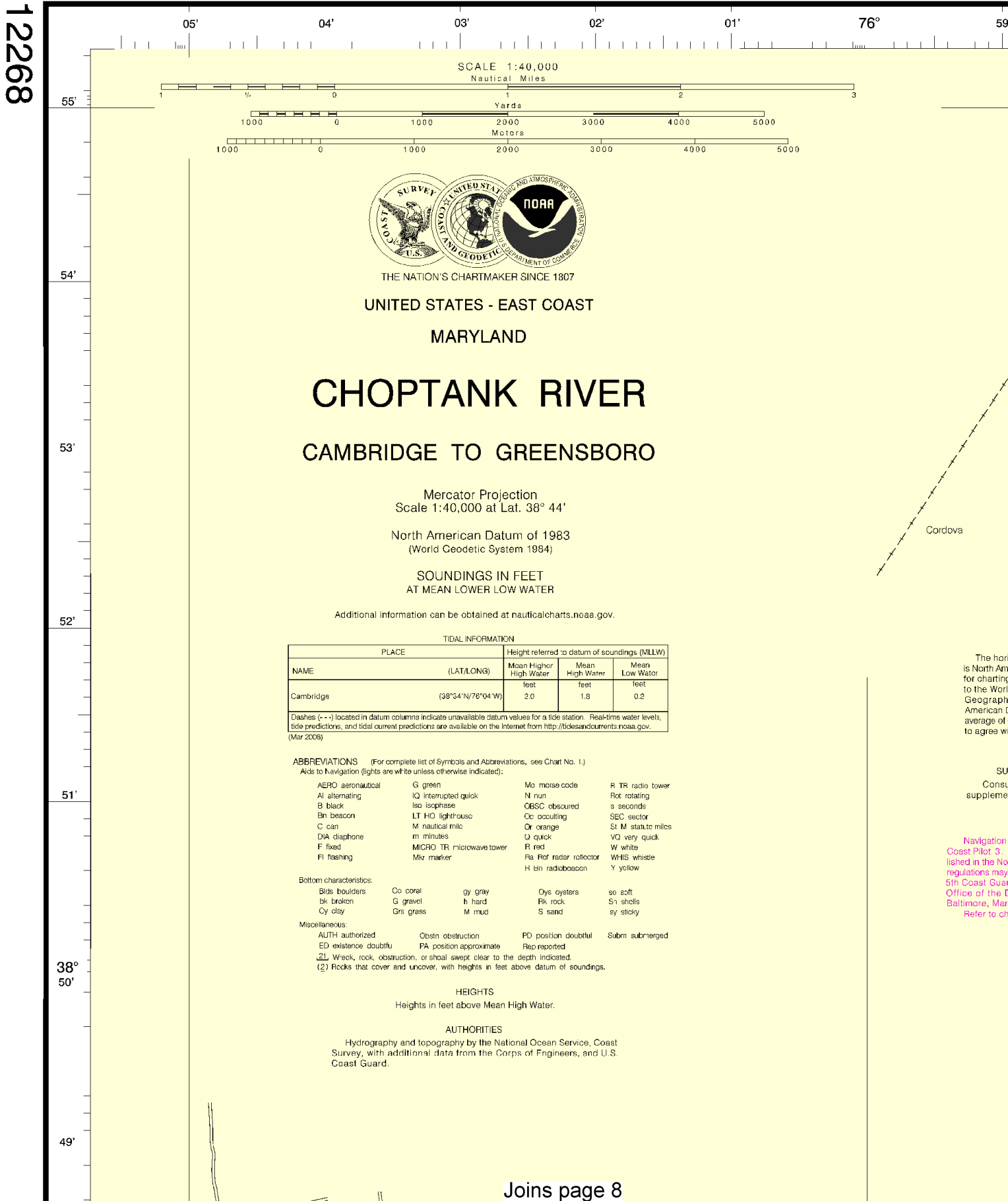




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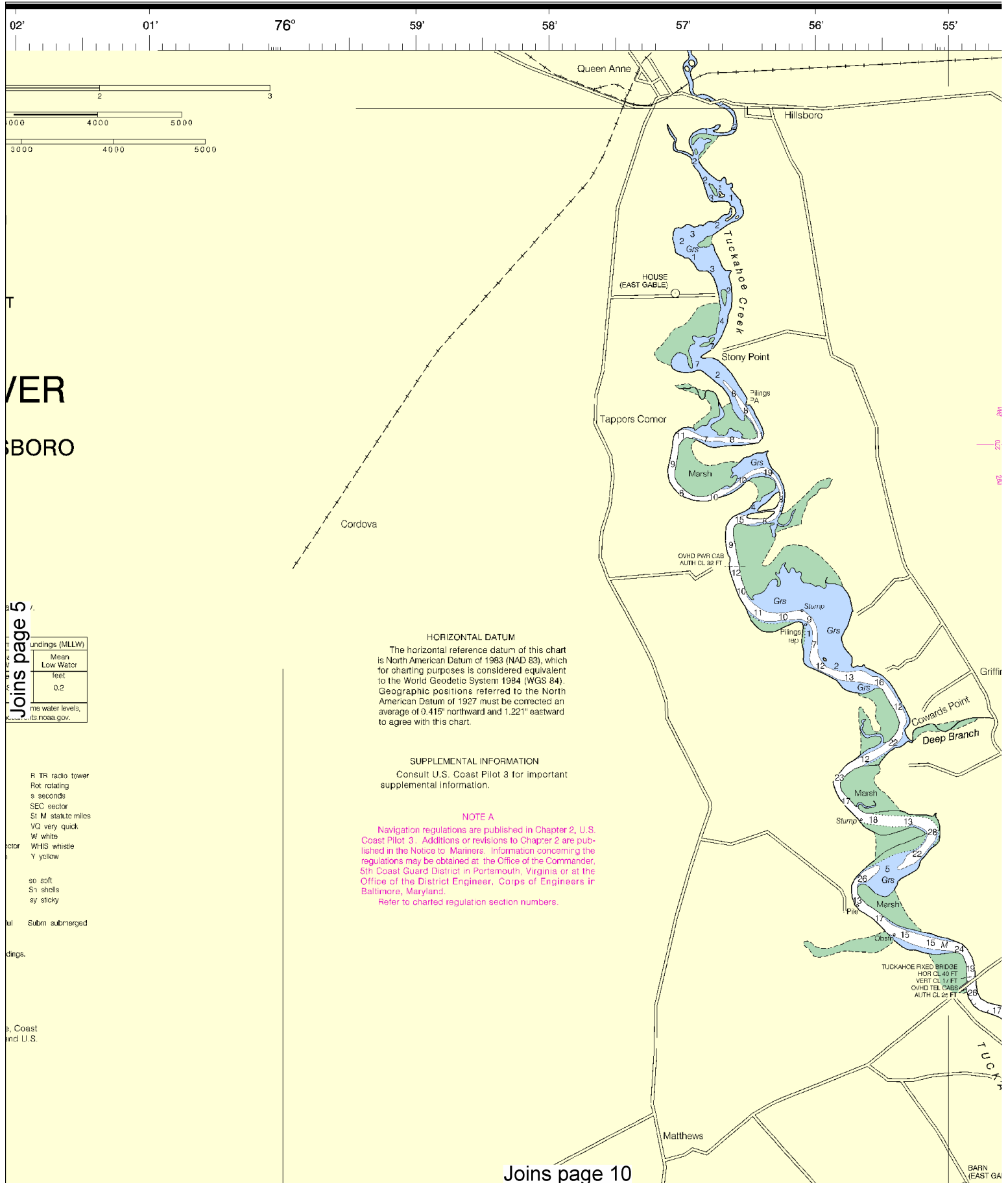
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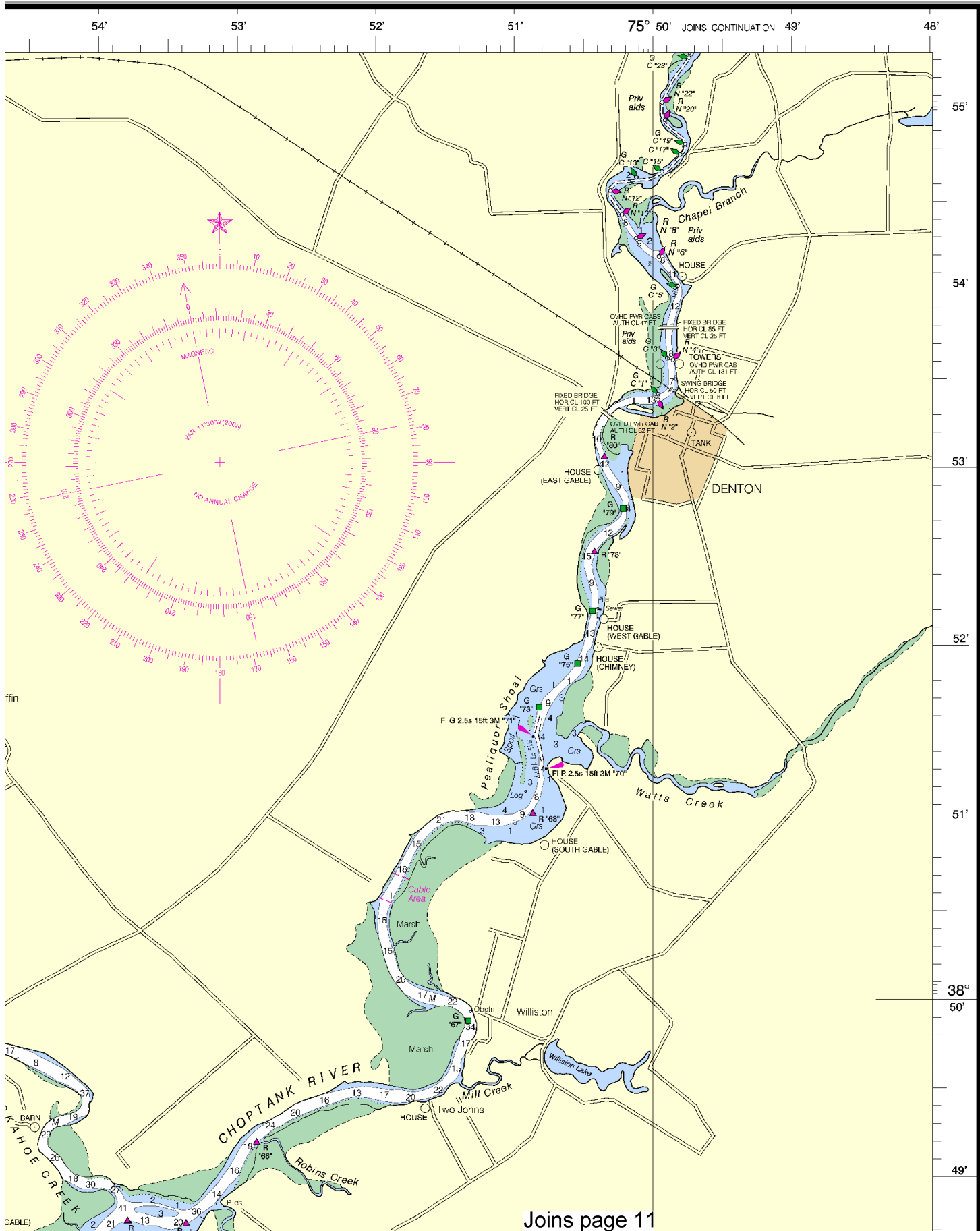


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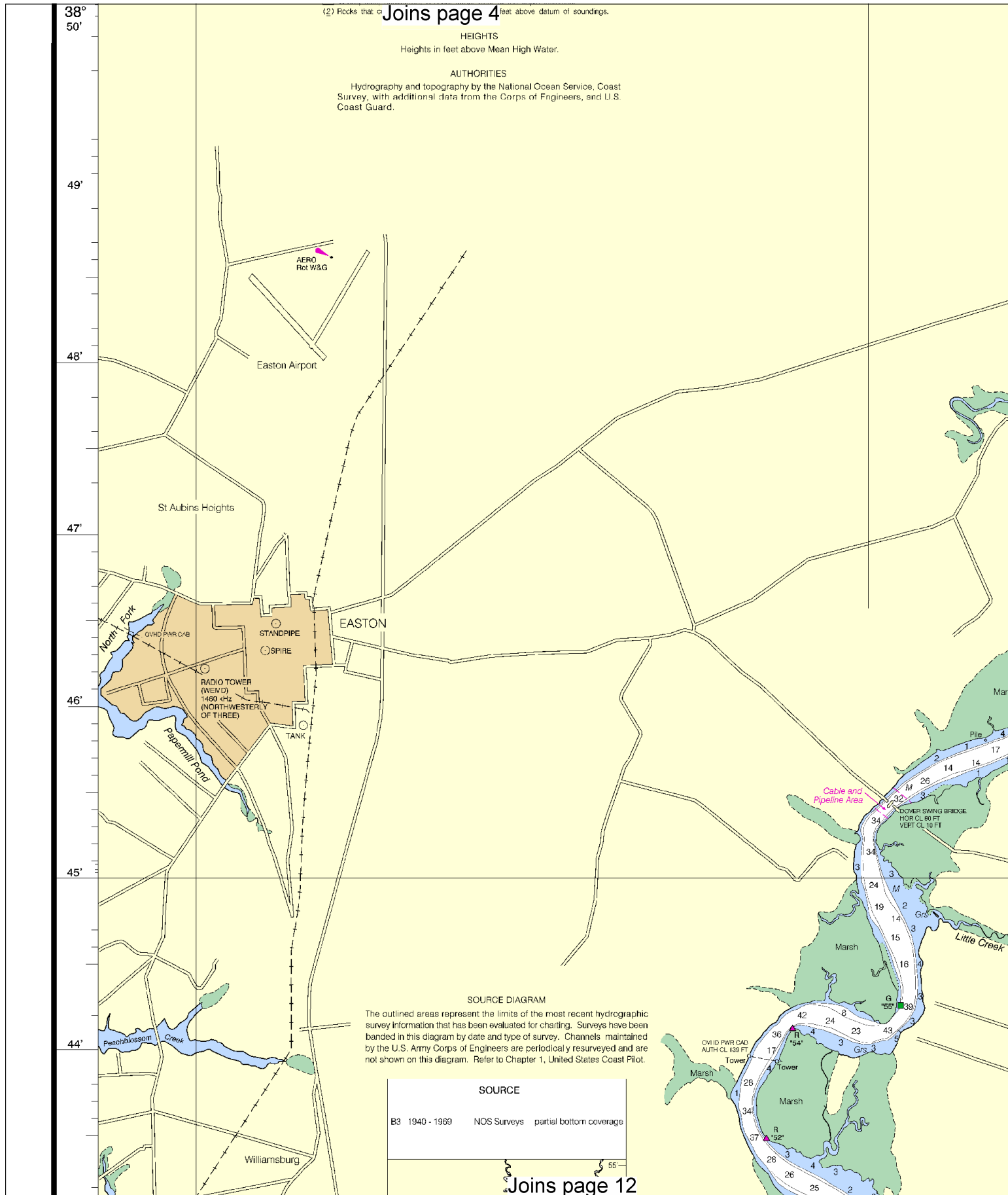
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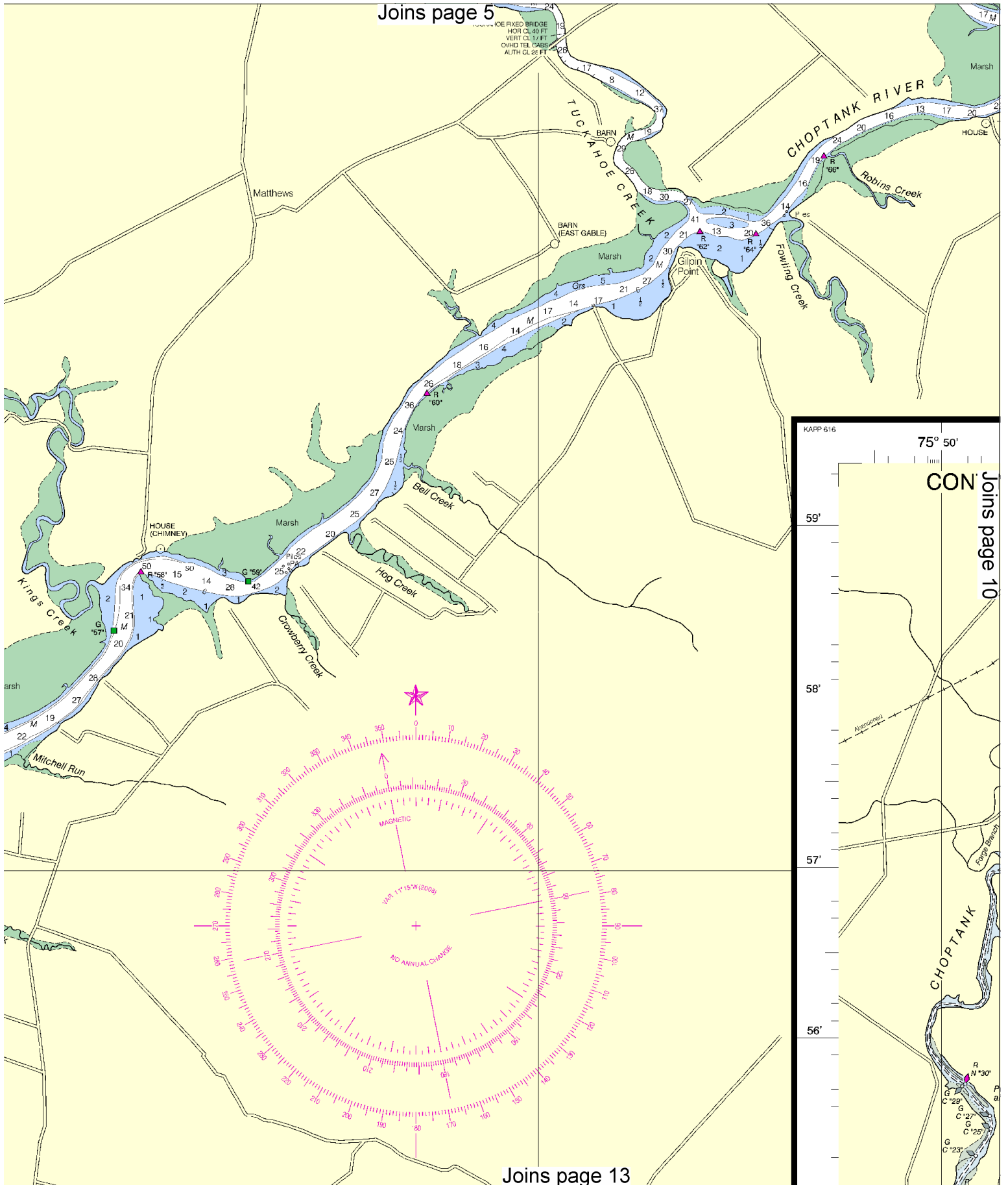
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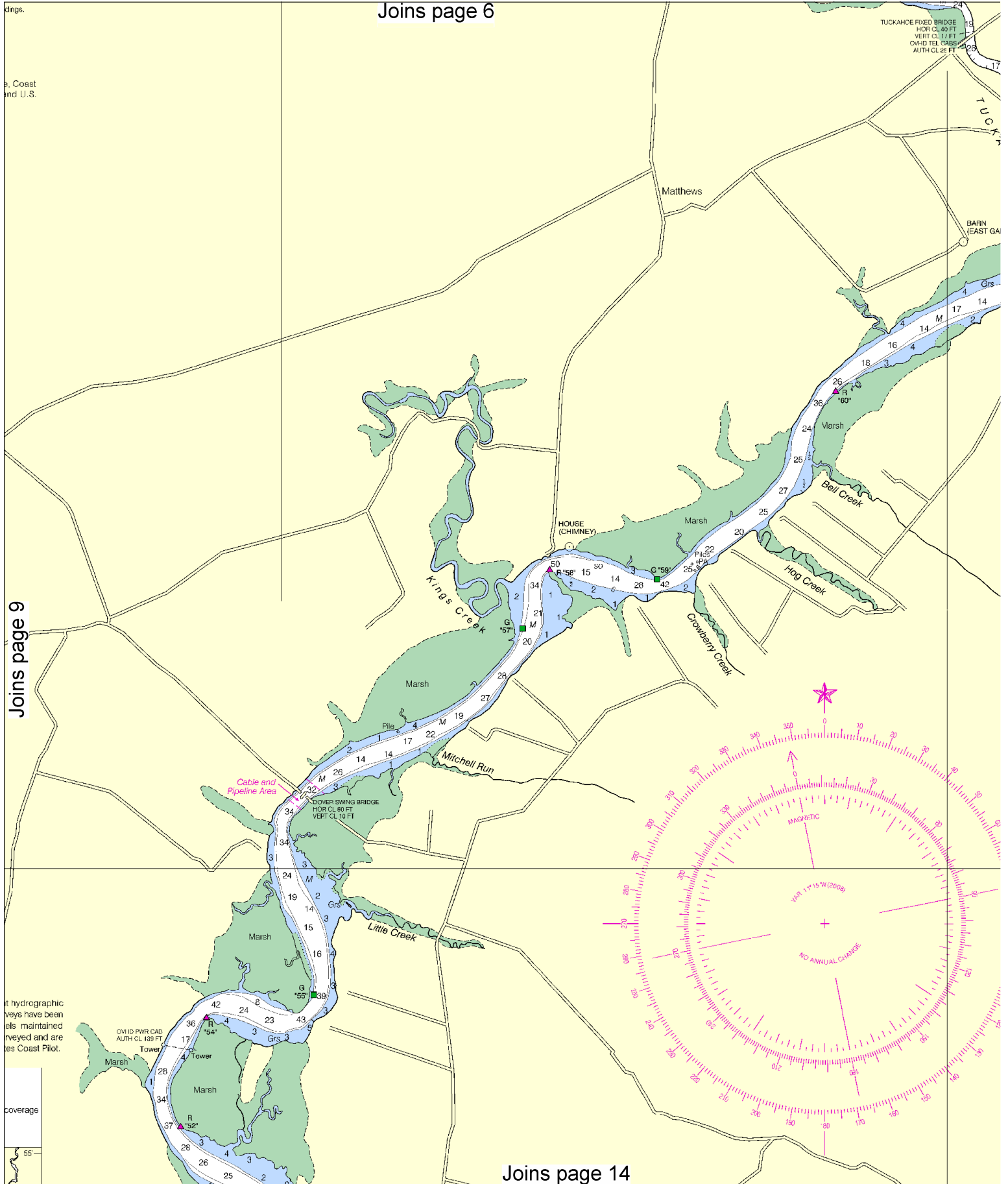


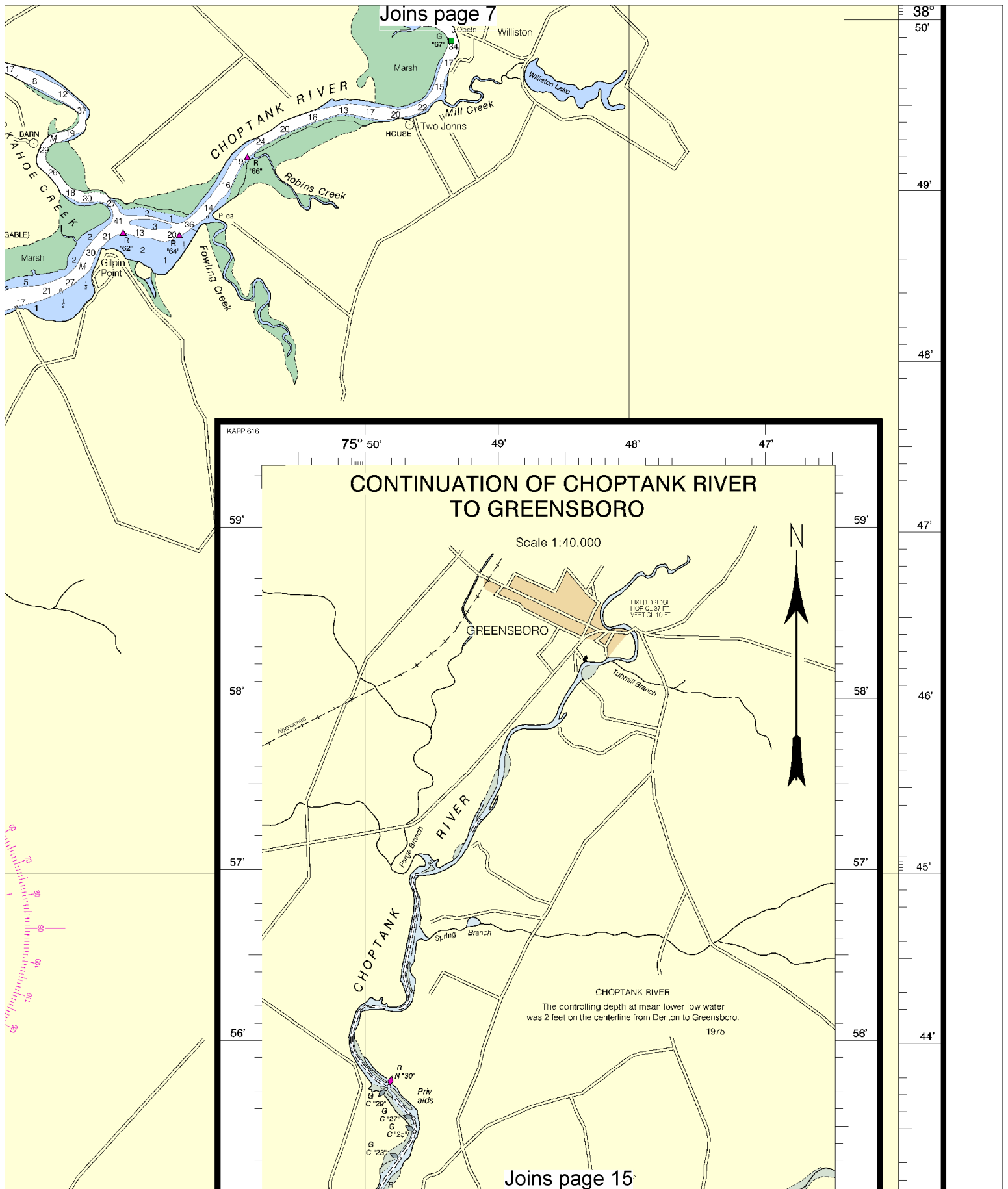


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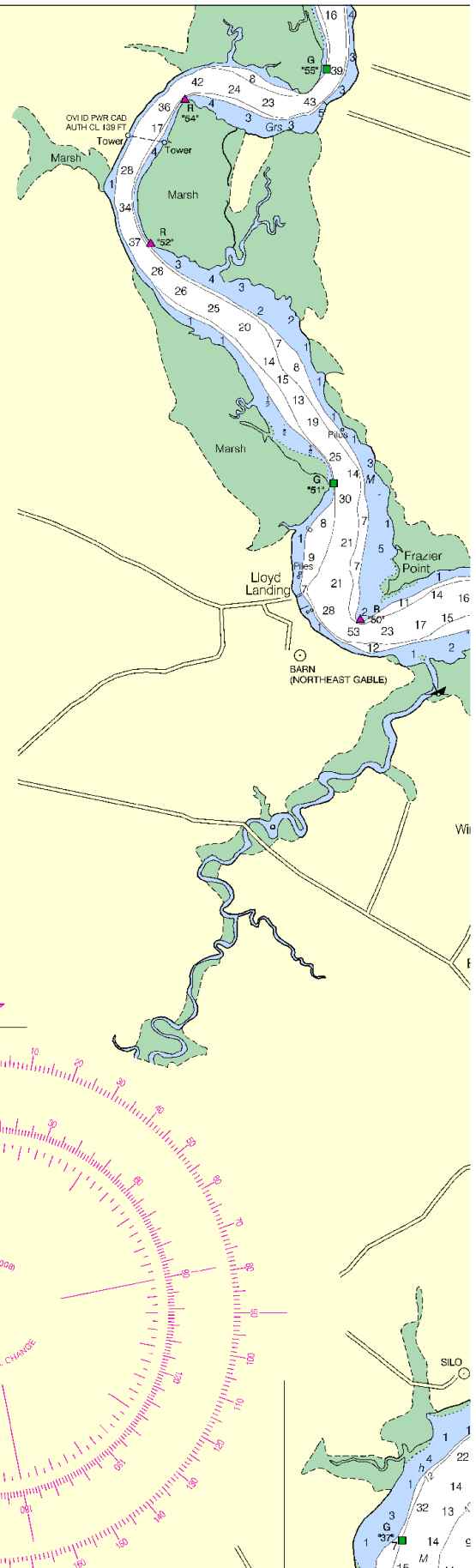
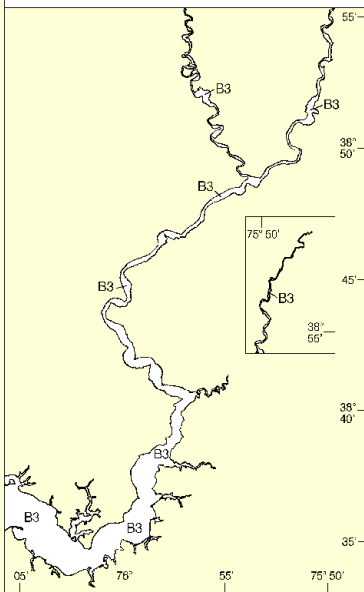


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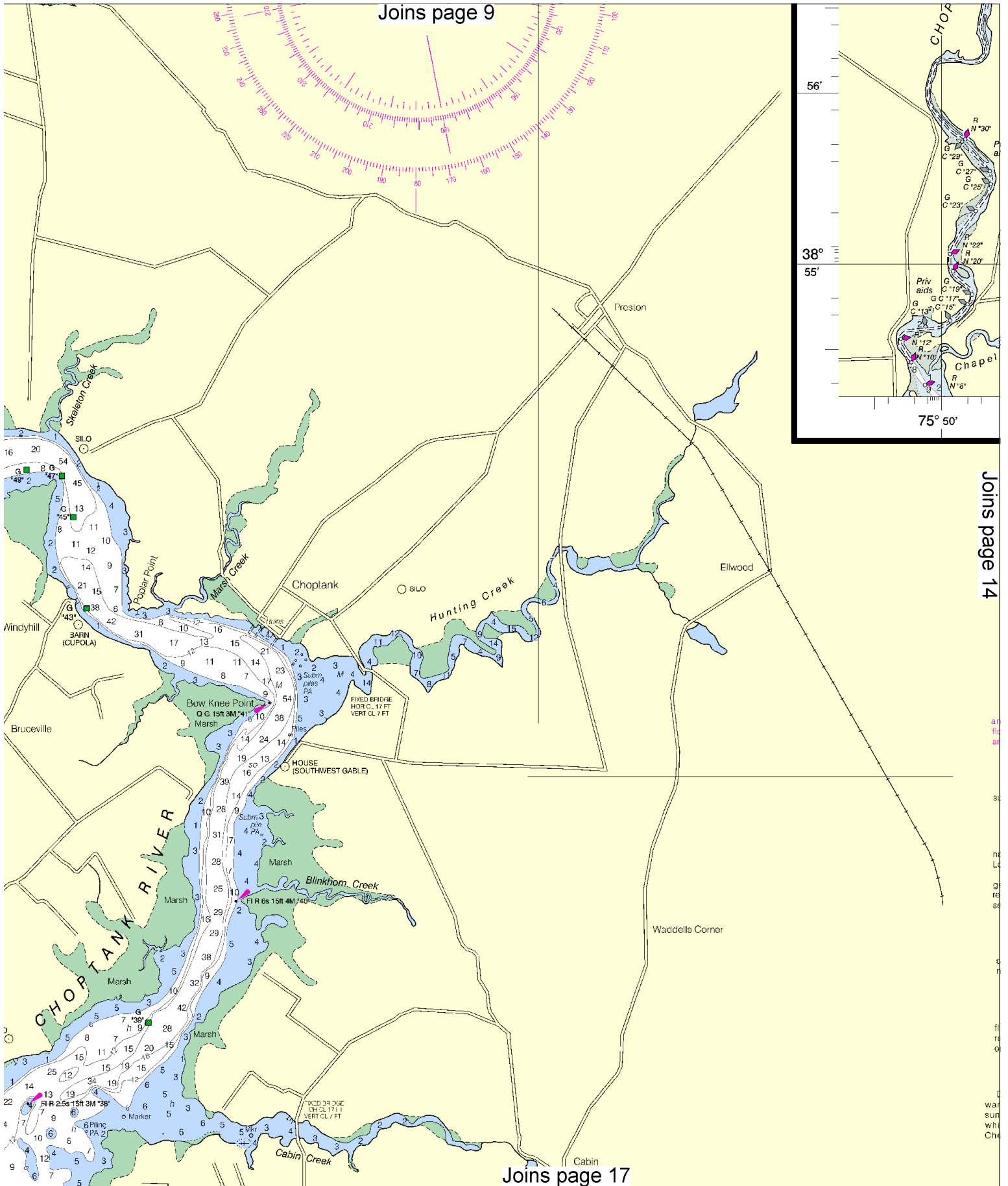
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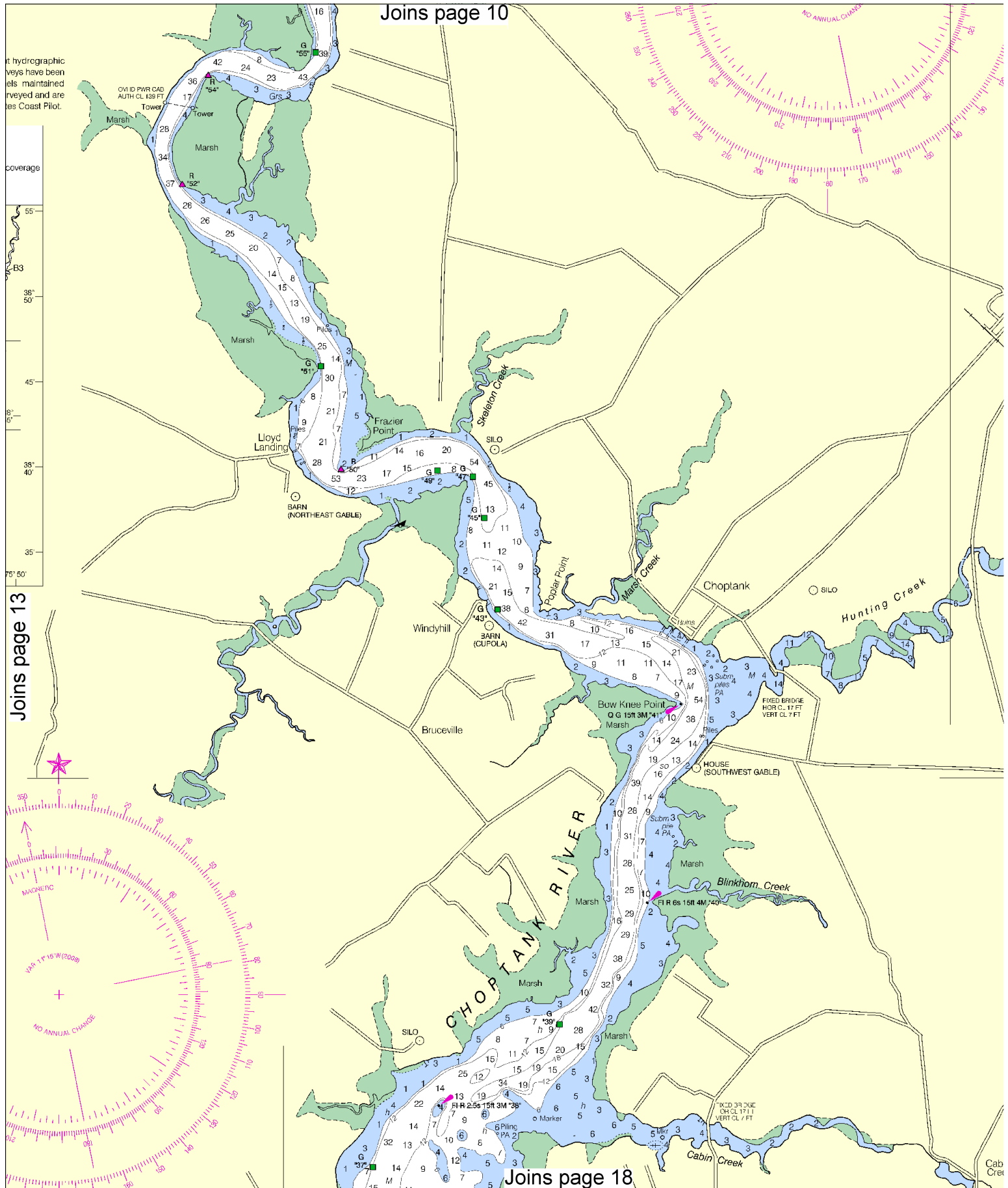
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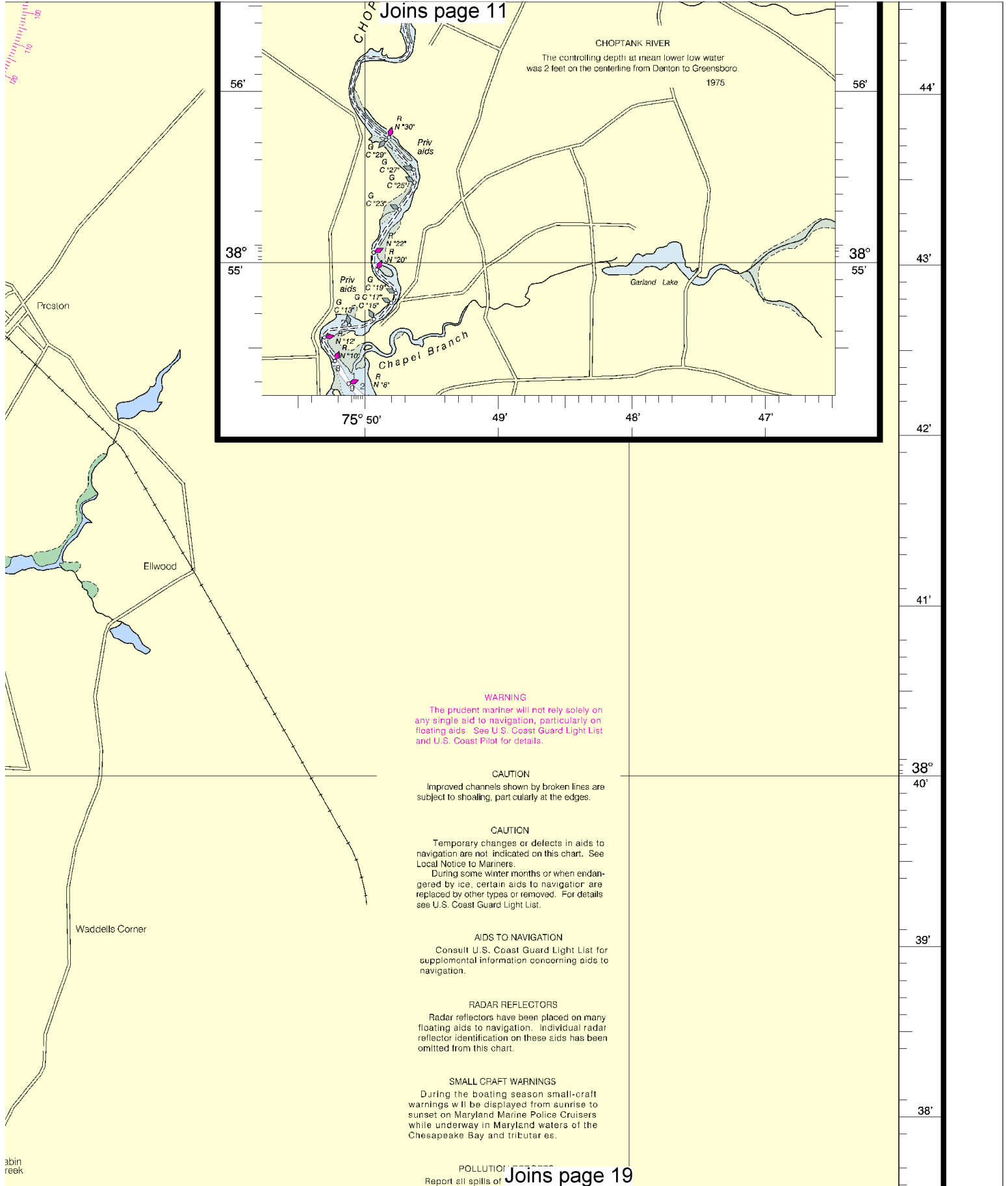




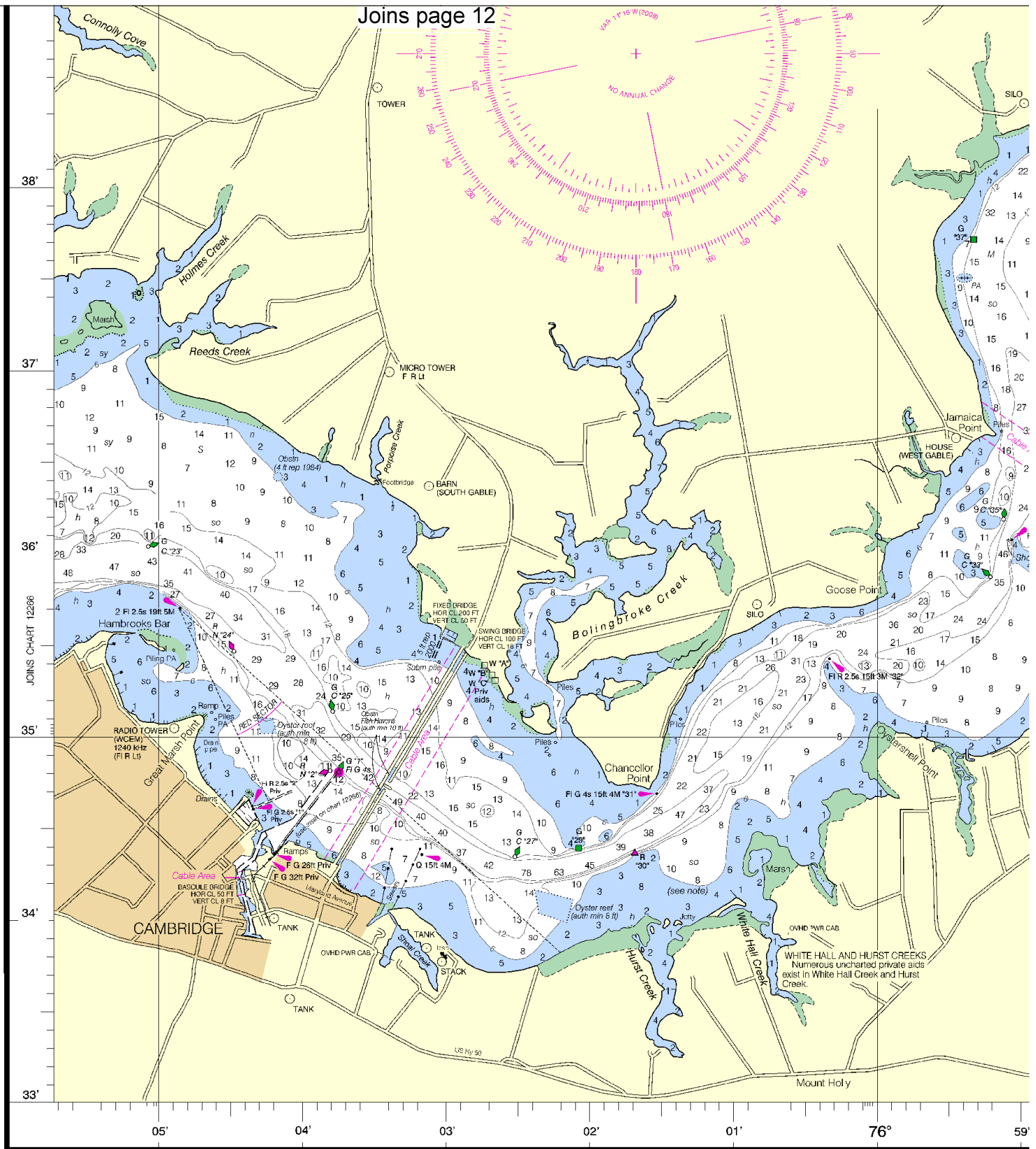
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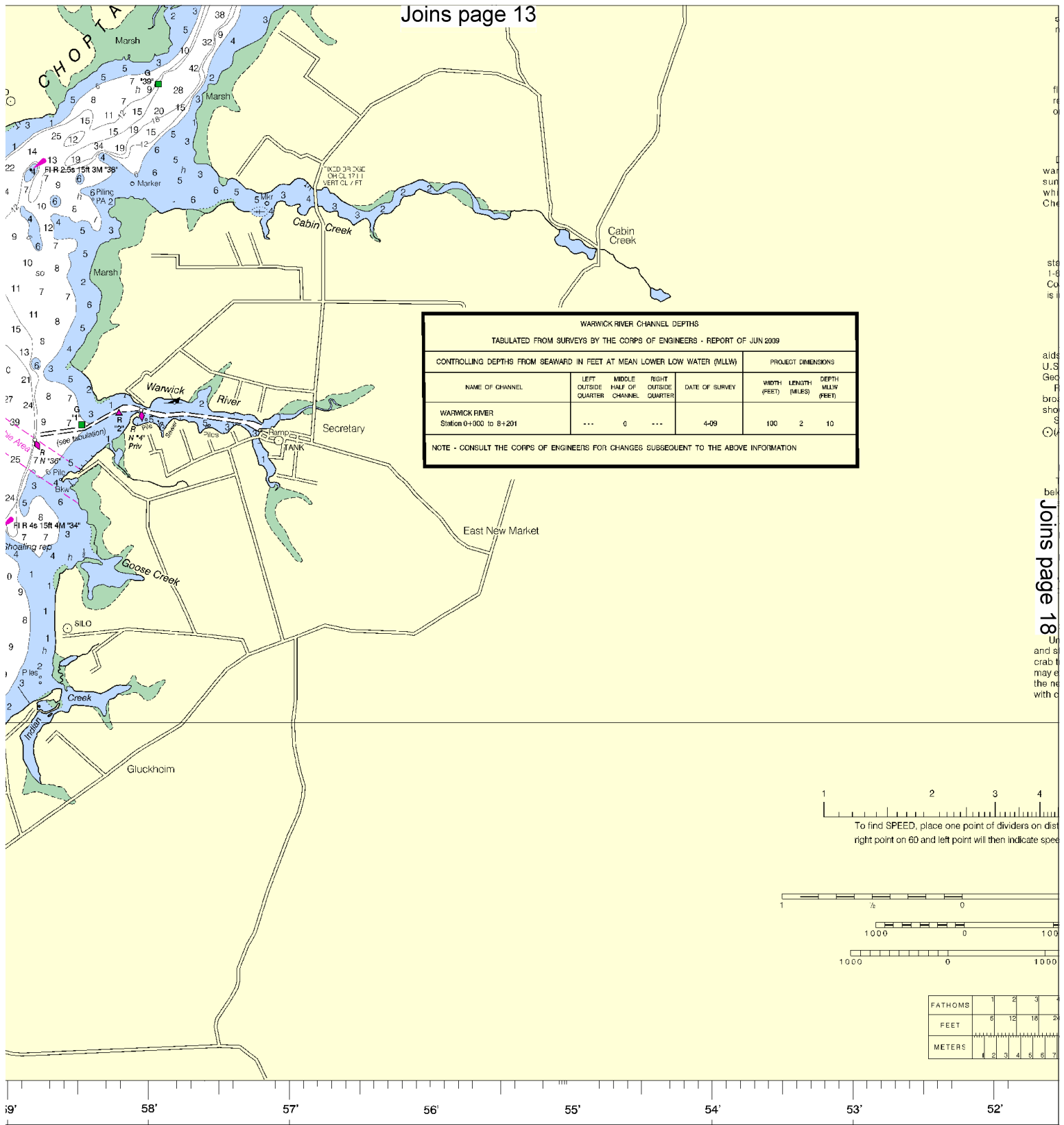
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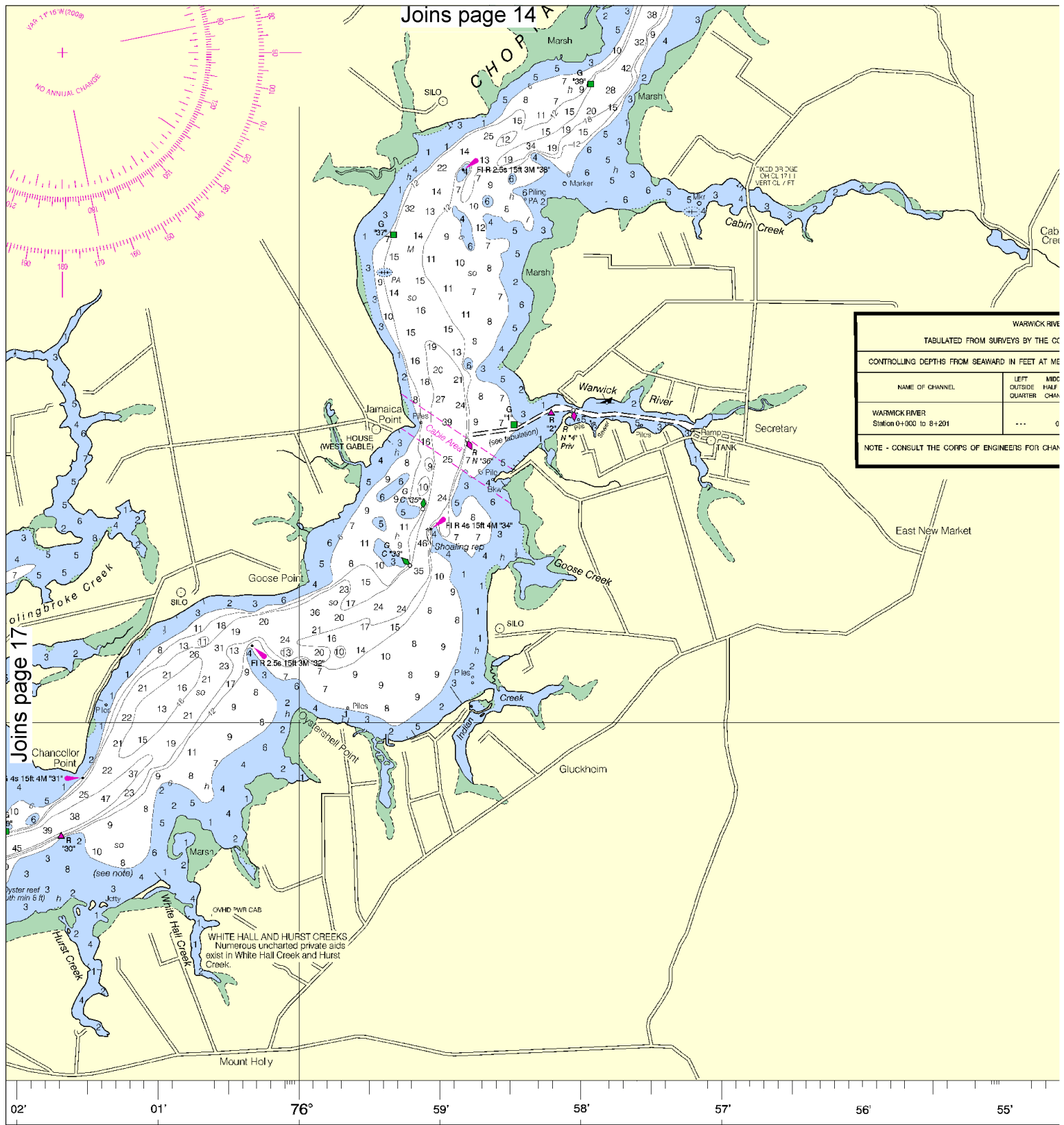




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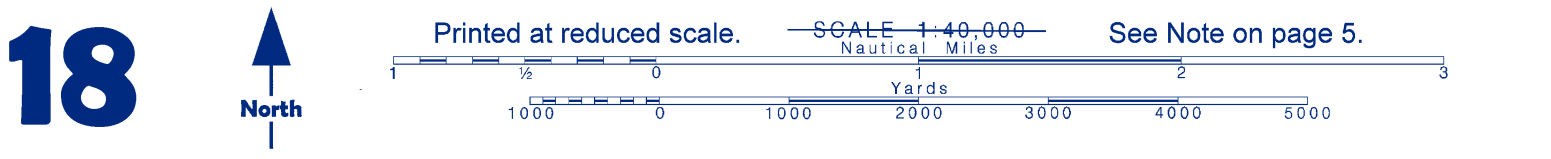
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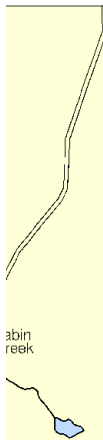


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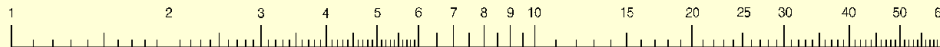
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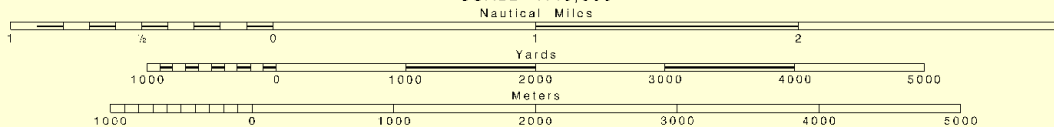
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#### LOGARITHMIC SPEED SCALE



To find SPEED, place one point of dividers on distance run (in any unit) and the other on minutes run. Without changing divider spread, place right point on 60 and left point will then indicate speed in units per hour. Example: with 4.0 nautical miles run in 15 minutes, the speed is 16.0 knots.

#### SCALE 1:40,000



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FEET	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60	66	72	78	84	90	96	102
METERS	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

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## EMERGENCY INFORMATION

### VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

**Channel 6** – Intership safety communications.

**Channel 9** – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

**Channel 13** – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, harbors.

**Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls** to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

**Channel 22** – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

**Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78** – Recreational boat channels.

### Distress Call Procedures

1. Make sure radio is on.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
5. Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
6. Release transmit button.
7. Wait for 10 seconds – If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

**HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!**

**Mobile Phones** – Call 911 for water rescue.

**Coast Guard Search & Rescue** – 800-418-7314/410-576-2525

**Coast Guard Annapolis** – 410-267-8108

**Coast Guard Little Creek** – 757-464-9371/9372

**Coast Guard Oxford** – 410-397-3103

**Maryland Natural Resources Police** – 410-260-8888

**NOAA Weather Radio** – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

**Getting and Giving Help** – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

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